

SULLIVAN COUNTY, INDIANA

Highlights



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Introduction

The first edition of the *County Highlights* was published in 1993. Lillian Miles, then Labor Market Analyst for the Gary Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area, originated the idea for this descriptive area publication.

Highlights are now a web publication and, as a result, the data can be updated throughout the year, not just on an annual basis. These *Highlights* are available in easy-to-use web format but are also printable and e-mailable and provide a snapshot of critical population and workforce statistics for each of Indiana’s 92 counties, 11 Economic Growth Regions, and the State of Indiana.

Each *Highlights* includes an overview of the demographics and workforce of an area, from its population to the size of its labor force and the industry mix of jobs and wages.

Do not hesitate to contact your regional analyst, Kim Stevenson (812) 234-6602 x327, if you need further information about your area.



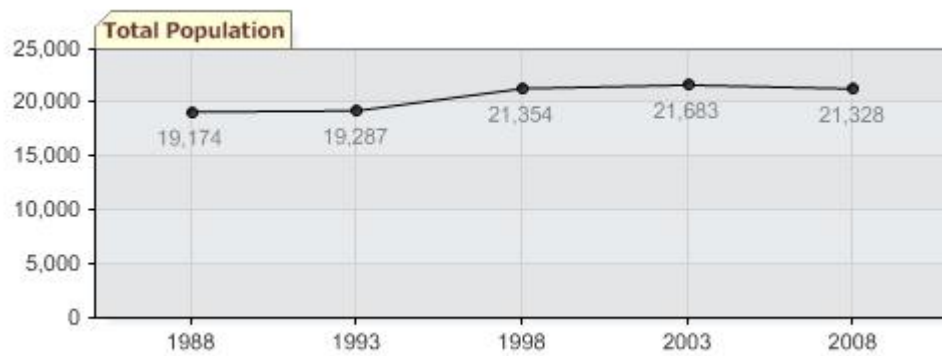
Location

Sullivan County is located in west central Indiana. The county is bordered on the south by Knox County. Greene County and Clay County are adjacent to Sullivan County on the east, Vigo County to the north, and the state of Illinois to the west. Sullivan County is one of the six counties located in the area designated by the Indiana Department of Workforce Development as Economic Growth Region 7. Sullivan County along with Clay, Vermillion & Vigo Counties in Indiana is part of the Terre Haute Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Population

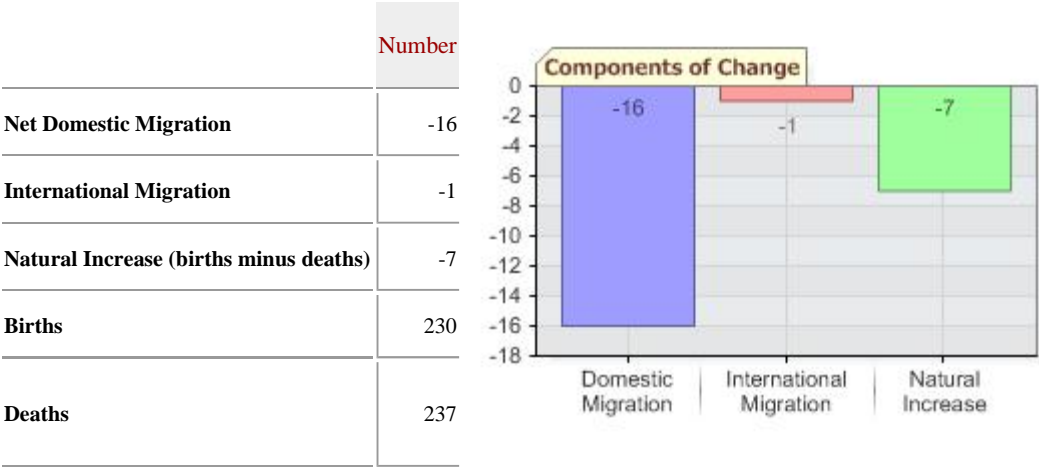
A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	19,174	19,287	21,354	21,683	21,328
Change Since 1988		113	2,180	2,509	2,154
Pct. Change Since 1988		0.6%	11.4%	13.1%	11.2%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008



Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Age in 2007

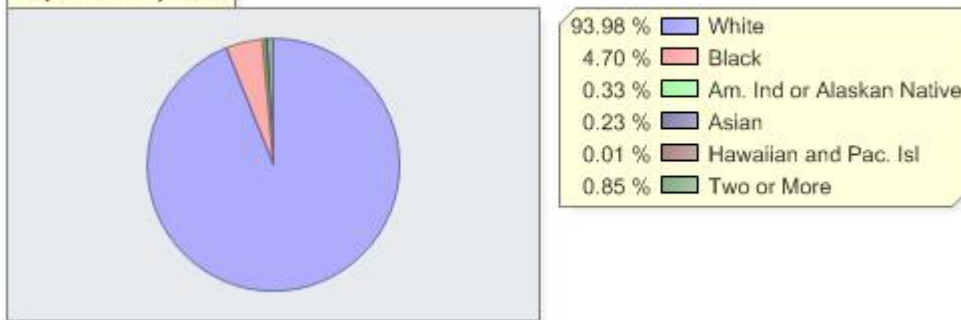
	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,138	5.3%
School Age	3,324	15.6%
College Age	1,966	9.2%
Young Adult	6,431	30.1%
Older Adult	5,550	26.0%
Older (65 plus)	2,957	13.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	71	0.3%
Asian Alone	50	0.2%
Black Alone	1,004	4.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	3	0.0%
White Alone	20,056	94.0%
Two or More Race Groups	182	0.9%

Population by Race



Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	21,144	99.1%
Hispanic or Latino	222	1.0%

Source: US Census Bureau

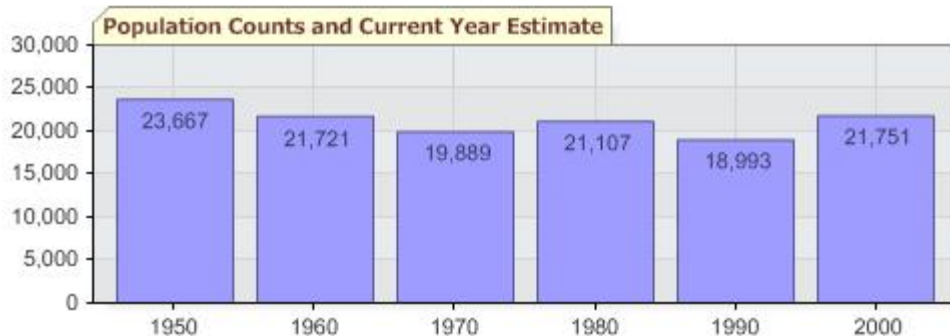
Households in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	7,819	100.0%
Family Households	5,573	71.3%
Married with Children	1,916	24.5%
Married without Children	2,629	33.6%
Single Parents	581	7.4%
Other	447	5.7%
Non-family Households	2,246	28.7%
Living Alone	1,977	25.3%
Average Household Size	2.78	
Average Family Household Size	3.90	

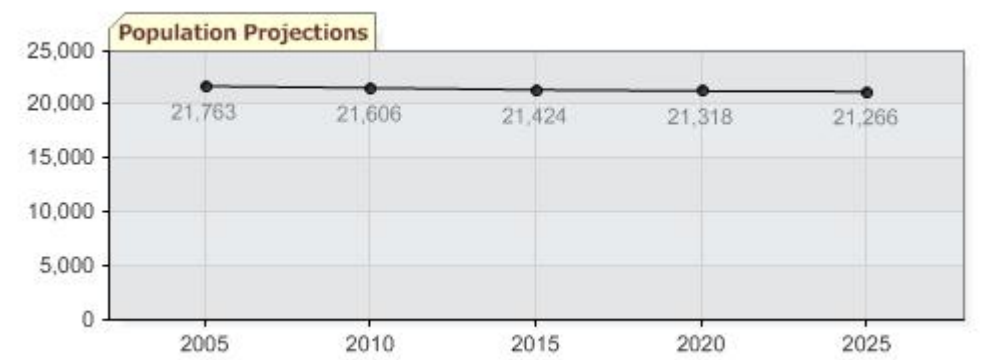
Source: US Census Bureau

Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate

	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.
1950	23,667	NA	NA
1960	21,721	-1,946	-8.2%
1970	19,889	-1,832	-8.4%
1980	21,107	1,218	6.1%
1990	18,993	-2,114	-10.0%
April 2000	21,751	2,758	14.5%
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A



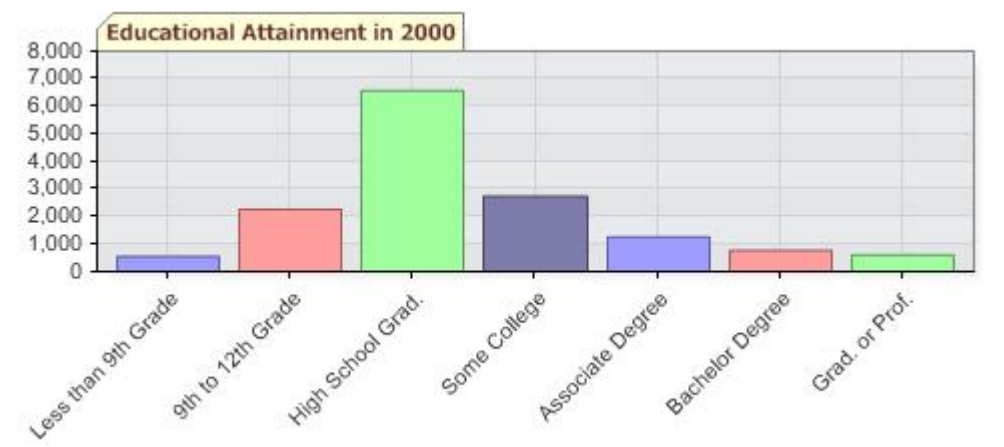
Population Projections					
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Population Projections	21,763	21,606	21,424	21,318	21,266
Change Since 2005		-157	-339	-445	-497
Pct. Change Since 2005		-0.7%	-1.6%	-2.0%	-2.3%



Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

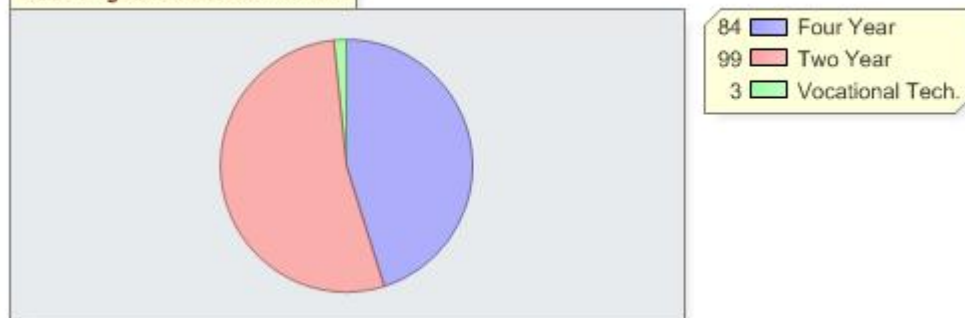
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	12,136	13,180	12,602	14,782
Less than 9th Grade	3,779	2,281	1,103	562
9th to 12th, No Diploma	2,601	2,630	2,165	2,270
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	4,460	6,043	5,767	6,569
Some College, No Degree			1,616	2,738
Associate Degree			693	1,256
Bachelors Degree			738	775
Graduate or Professional Degree			520	612



High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education

	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Graduates	209	227	189	216
Total to Higher Education	178	182	133	186
Four-Year Institution	87	86	59	84
Two-Year Institution	84	89	53	99
Vocational/Tech.	7	7	21	3
Military	4	3	5	5

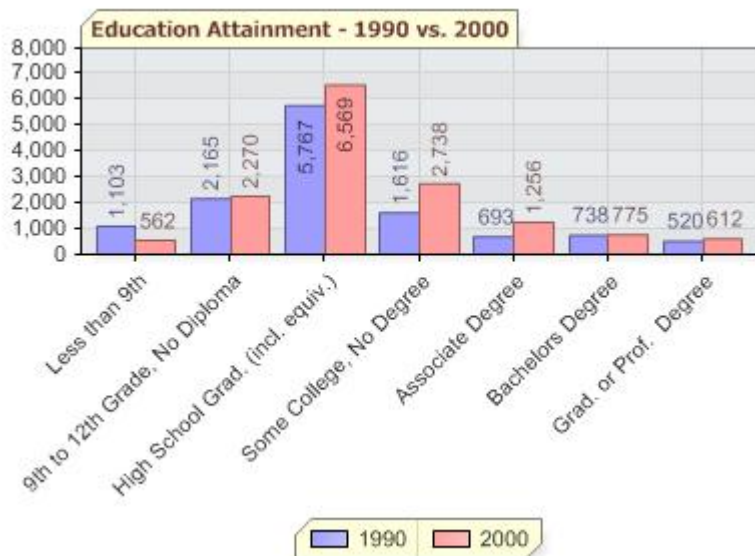
2007 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	12,602	100.0%	14,782	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	1,103	8.8%	562	3.8%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	2,165	17.2%	2,270	15.4%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	5,767	45.8%	6,569	44.4%
Some College, No Degree	1,616	12.8%	2,738	18.5%
Associate Degree	693	5.5%	1,256	8.5%
Bachelors Degree	738	5.9%	775	5.2%
Graduate or Professional Degree	520	4.1%	612	4.1%

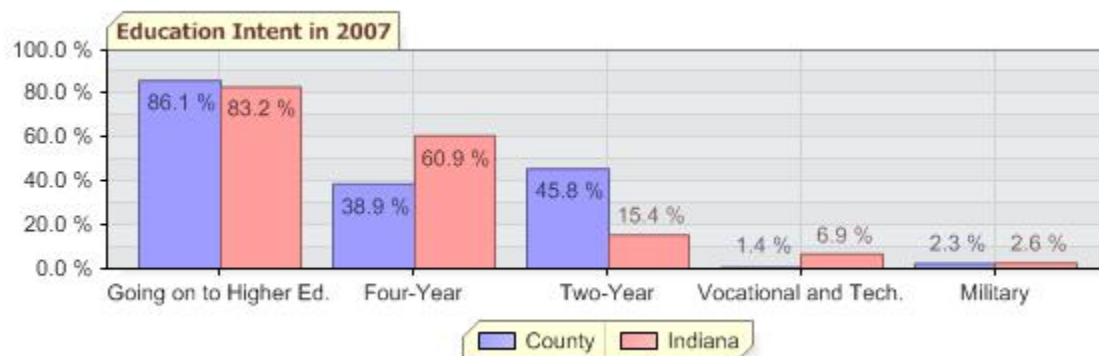


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.

Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	86.1%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	38.9%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	45.8%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	1.4%	6.9%
Military	2.3%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Commuting

In Indiana, most workers commute to a job, either within their home county or beyond. Patterns of commuting are significant in showing the labor supply. The county *labor force* represents workers who reside in the county no matter where they work. Two types of commuting patterns are provided here - the Census 2000 *benchmark* and the annual data tabulated from state income tax returns that can help provide a more current view.

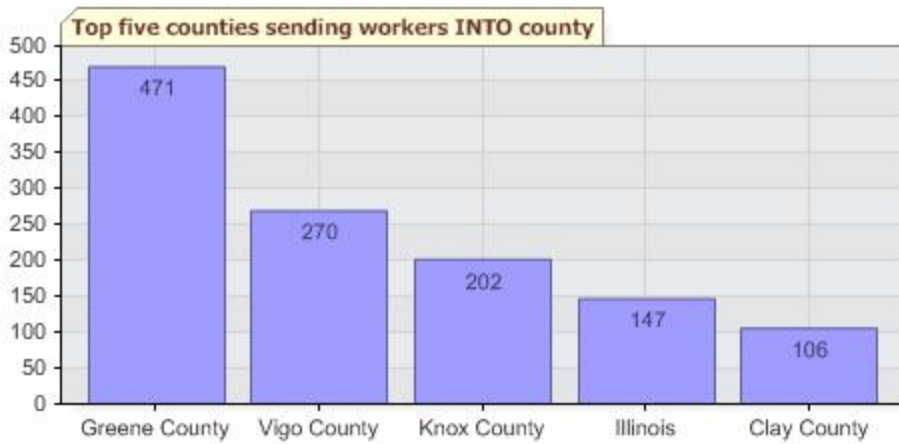
Commuting Data, 2007

	Number
Number of tax filers who live in county and work	13,359
Number of tax filers who work in the county	10,409
Number of tax filers who live in county and work in county	9,048
Number of tax filers who live out of the county and work in county	1,361

Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Commuting Patterns: Top five counties sending workers INTO county, 2007

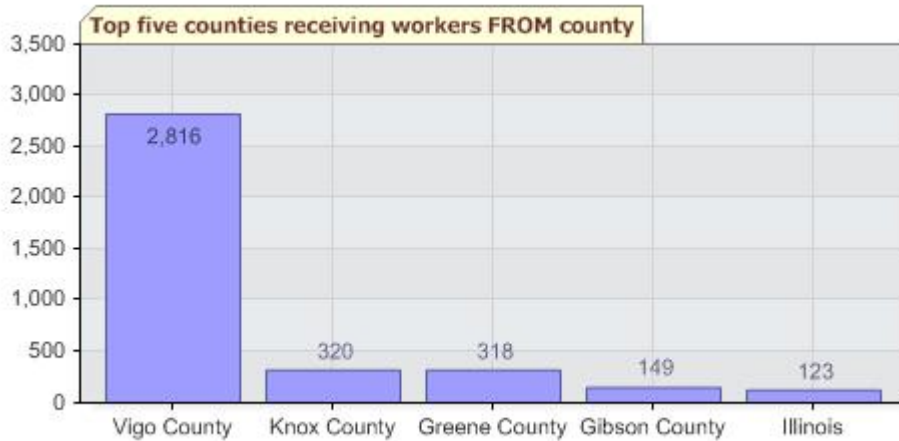
County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Greene County	471	41.5%
Vigo County	270	23.8%
Knox County	202	17.8%
Illinois	147	13.0%
Clay County	106	8.8%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

Commuting Patterns: Top five counties receiving workers FROM county, 2007

County	Number	Pct. Five County Total
Vigo County	2,816	75.6%
Knox County	320	8.6%
Greene County	318	8.5%
Gibson County	149	4.0%
Illinois	123	3.3%



Source: Indiana Department of Revenue

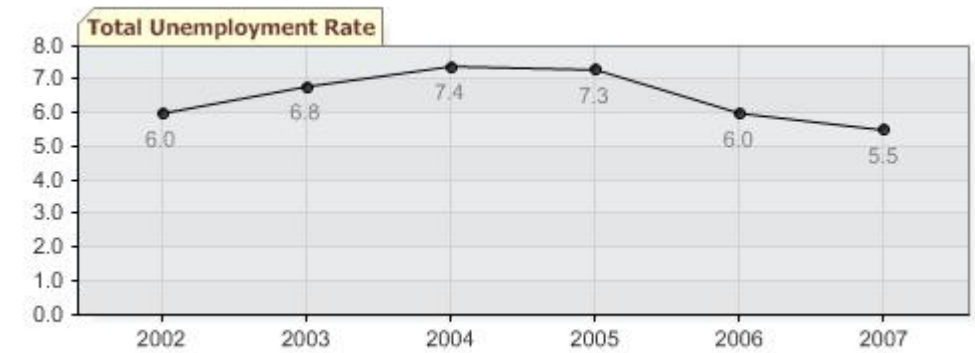
Travel To Work in 2000

	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Workers Age 16 and Over	8,381	100.0%
Travel To Work	8,184	97.6%
Car, Truck, or Van	8,027	95.8%
Traveled Alone	7,077	84.4%
Carpooled	950	11.3%
Used Public Transportation	1	0.0%
Motorcycle, Bicycle, Walked, Other	156	1.9%
Worked At Home	197	2.4%
Average Travel Time (Minutes)	26.8	
Average Travel Time using Public Transportation (Minutes)	4.0	

Labor Force

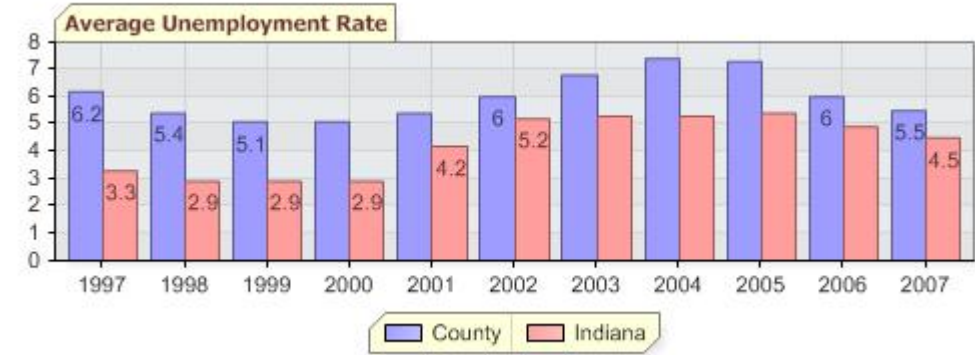
An area's labor force provides insight on the availability factor and is residence-based - that is, the people are working or seeking work and reside in the particular county or region.

Annual Labor Force Estimates in 2007		
	Number	Pct. Chg. from 2000
Labor Force	8,956	-3.3%
Employed	8,462	-3.8%
Unemployed	494	5.6%
Rate	5.5	7.8%



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

	Labor Force	Emp.	Unemp.	Cnty. Rate	State Rate
1997	10,106	9,478	628	6.2	3.3
1998	9,855	9,325	530	5.4	2.9
1999	9,644	9,149	495	5.1	2.9
2000	9,264	8,796	468	5.1	2.9
2001	9,235	8,736	499	5.4	4.2
2002	9,340	8,784	556	6.0	5.2
2003	9,247	8,616	631	6.8	5.3
2004	9,344	8,655	689	7.4	5.3
2005	9,274	8,595	679	7.3	5.4
2006	9,130	8,585	545	6.0	4.9
2007	8,956	8,462	494	5.5	4.5



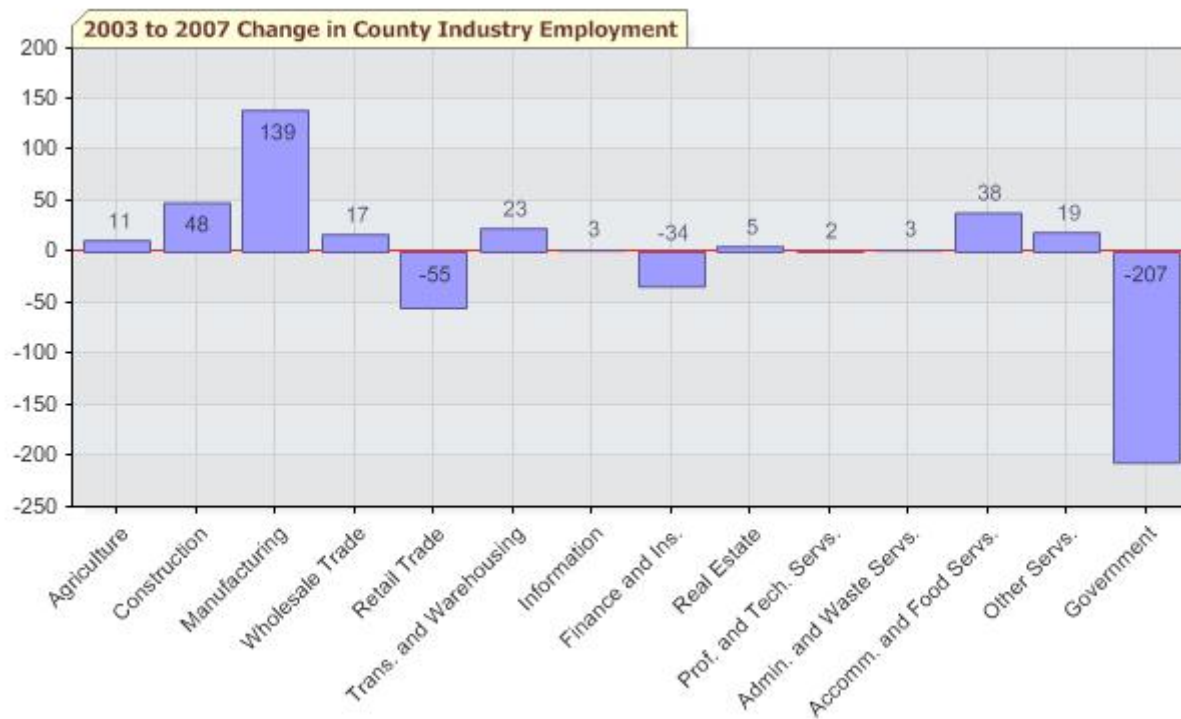
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Employment

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry.

Average Employment by Sector

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Change 2003-2007	% Change 2003-2007
Total Employment	5,459	5,477	5,382	5,288	5,374	-85	-1.56%
Total Private Employment	3,246	3,342	3,316	3,309	3,368	122	3.76%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	68	67	89	69	79	11	16.18%
Mining	D	D	D	D	20	N/A	N/A
Construction	105	115	138	161	153	48	45.71%
Manufacturing	479	503	507	571	618	139	29.02%
Wholesale Trade	106	125	131	132	123	17	16.04%
Retail Trade	734	741	721	697	679	-55	-7.49%
Transport. and Warehousing	119	112	111	125	142	23	19.33%
Utilities	D	D	D	259	250	N/A	N/A
Information	104	107	101	104	107	3	2.88%
Finance and Insurance	177	183	180	138	143	-34	-19.21%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	15	20	18	16	20	5	33.33%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	86	95	100	93	88	2	2.33%
Mgmt. of Companies	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	47	50	53	54	50	3	6.38%
Educational Services	7	14	26	34	36	N/A	N/A
Health Care and Social Assistance	348	361	367	336	330	N/A	N/A
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Accommodation and Food Service	322	352	334	344	360	38	11.80%
Other Services	107	103	111	119	126	19	17.76%
Federal, State, & Local Govt.	2,213	2,135	2,066	1,979	2,006	-207	-9.35%

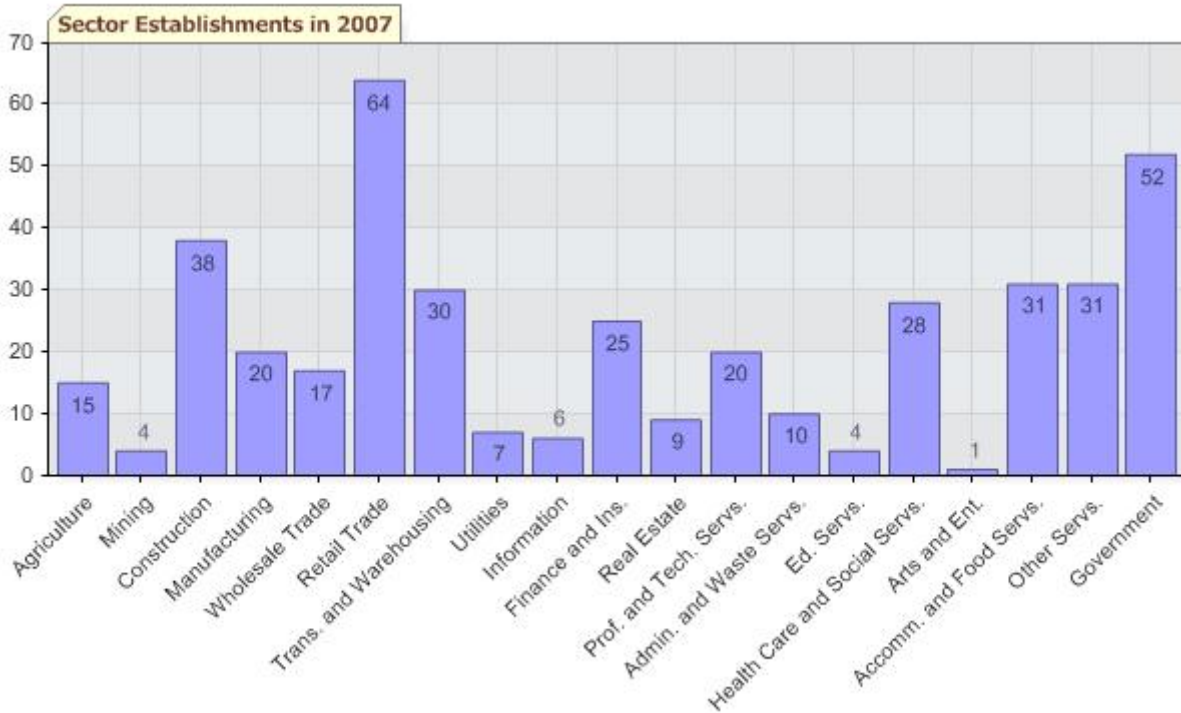


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Establishments by Sector

Change % Change

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007
Total Establishments	398	398	397	398	411	13	3.27%
Total Private Establishments	354	355	352	354	359	5	1.41%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunt	15	14	15	14	15	0	0.00%
Mining	D	D	D	D	4	N/A	N/A
Construction	27	27	30	36	38	11	40.74%
Manufacturing	20	18	19	18	20	0	0.00%
Wholesale Trade	18	18	17	18	17	-1	-5.56%
Retail Trade	66	68	64	66	64	-2	-3.03%
Transport. and Warehousing	31	28	28	30	30	-1	-3.23%
Utilities	D	D	D	7	7	N/A	N/A
Information	7	7	5	5	6	-1	-14.29%
Finance and Insurance	21	25	26	24	25	4	19.05%
Real Estate, Rental, Leasing	8	7	7	7	9	1	12.50%
Professional and Tech. Servs.	20	21	26	22	20	0	0.00%
Mgmt. of Companies	0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A
Admin. and Waste Services	13	14	11	11	10	-3	-23.08%
Educational Services	3	4	4	4	4	1	33.33%
Health Care and Social Assistance	33	32	28	28	28	-5	-15.15%
Arts, Entertain., and Recreation	D	D	D	D	D	N/A	N/A
Accommodation and Food Service	28	32	34	33	31	3	10.71%
Other Services	34	32	29	28	31	-3	-8.82%
Federal, State, & Local Govt.	44	43	45	44	52	8	18.18%



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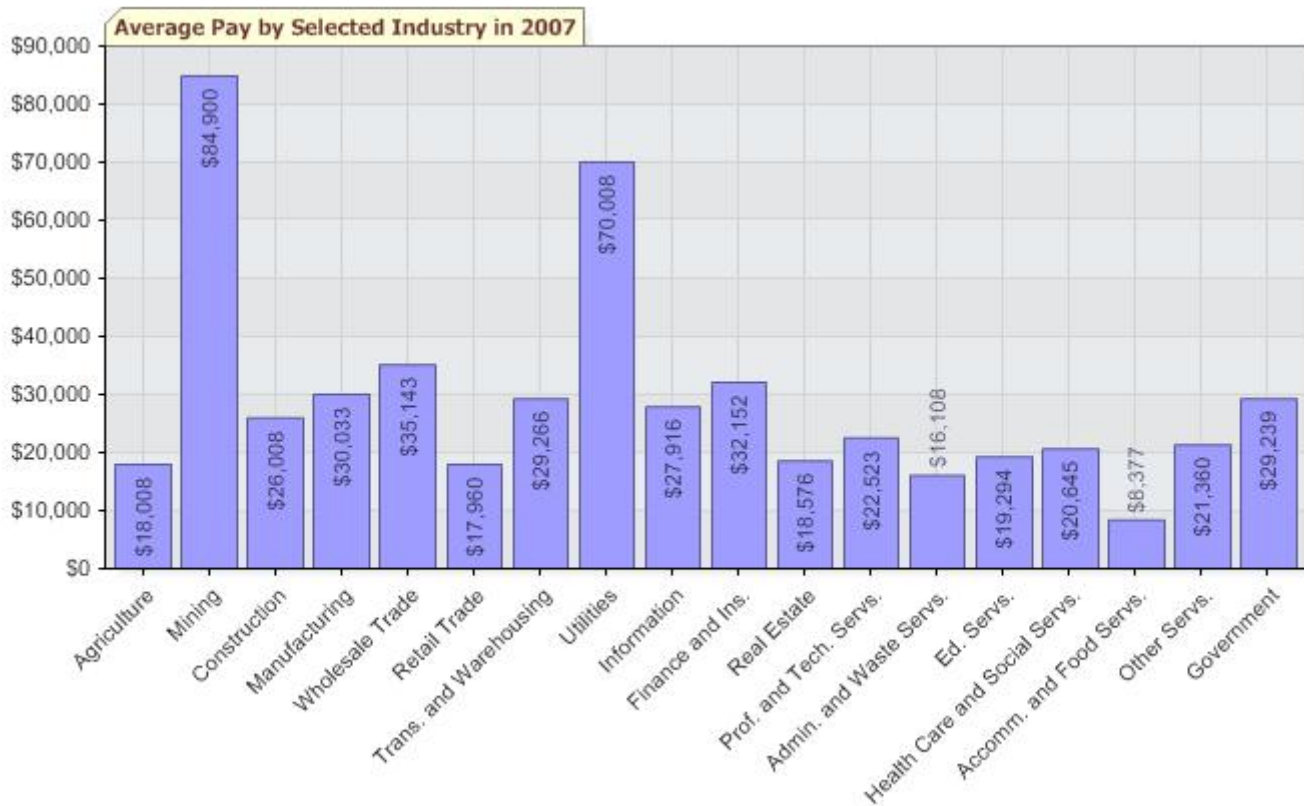
Earnings and Income

Industry employment is tabulated as jobs by place-of-work. Keep in mind that people may hold multiple jobs and that each job is counted by its industry. Note: The income figures and changes are not adjusted for inflation.

Average Annual Earnings by Industry

Change	% Change	Indiana	% of
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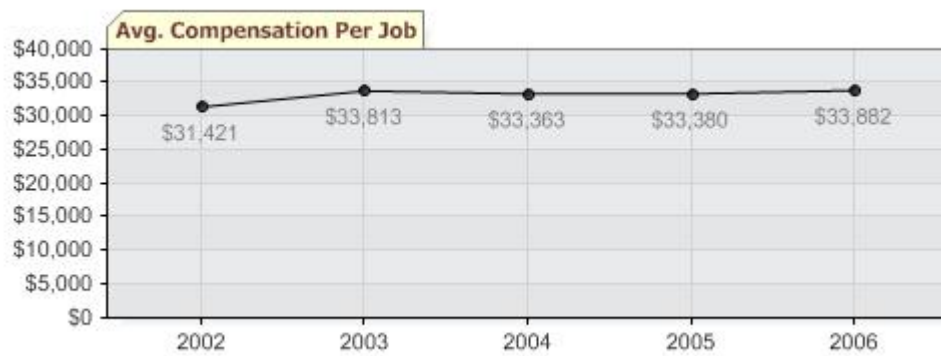
	2003	2007	2003-2007	2003-2007	2007	State
All Industries	\$25,731	\$27,309	\$1,578	6.1%	\$37,530	72.8%
Ag., For., Fishing, & Hunt.	\$16,708	\$18,008	\$1,300	7.8%	\$28,008	64.3%
Mining	D	\$84,900	N/A	N/A	\$57,315	148.1%
Construction	\$23,033	\$26,008	\$2,976	12.9%	\$44,754	58.1%
Manufacturing	\$27,076	\$30,033	\$2,957	10.9%	\$51,148	58.7%
Wholesale Trade	\$29,143	\$35,143	\$6,000	20.6%	\$51,432	68.3%
Retail Trade	\$16,612	\$17,960	\$1,348	8.1%	\$22,581	79.5%
Trans. & Warehousing	\$25,444	\$29,266	\$3,822	15.0%	\$38,012	77.0%
Utilities	D	\$70,008	N/A	N/A	\$68,267	102.6%
Information	\$33,059	\$27,916	-\$5,142	-15.6%	\$46,311	60.3%
Finance & Insurance	\$29,760	\$32,152	\$2,392	8.0%	\$52,649	61.1%
Real Est., Rent., Leasing	\$15,007	\$18,576	\$3,569	23.8%	\$32,614	57.0%
Prof. & Tech. Svcs.	\$21,397	\$22,523	\$1,125	5.3%	\$51,451	43.8%
Mgt.of Companies	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$72,682	N/A
Admin. & Waste Svcs.	\$25,835	\$16,108	-\$9,726	-37.6%	\$24,934	64.6%
Education Svcs.	\$13,849	\$19,294	\$5,445	39.3%	\$31,029	62.2%
Health Care & Social Assist.	\$20,166	\$20,645	\$479	2.4%	\$37,706	54.8%
Arts, Ent. & Rec.	D	D	N/A	N/A	\$29,251	N/A
Accom. & Food Svcs.	\$8,214	\$8,377	\$162	2.0%	\$12,442	67.3%
Other Svcs.	\$16,297	\$21,360	\$5,063	31.1%	\$24,862	85.9%
Fed.I, State & Local Govt.	\$26,235	\$29,239	\$3,004	11.4%	\$37,054	78.9%



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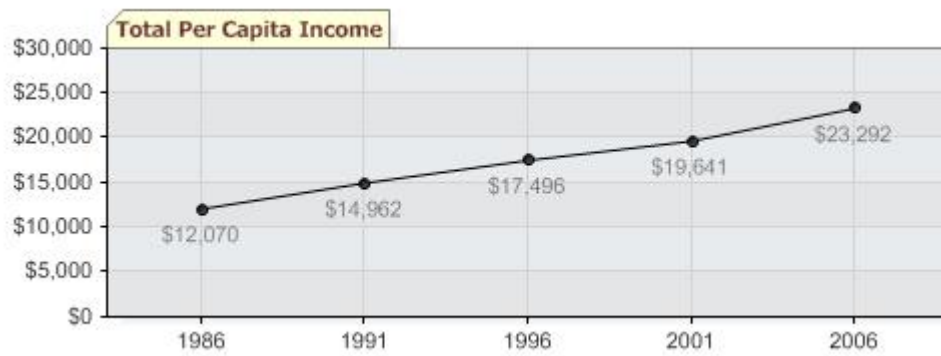
Average Compensation Per Job Over Time

	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Avg. Compensation per Job	\$31,421	\$33,813	\$33,363	\$33,380	\$33,882
Change Since 2002		\$2,392	\$1,942	\$1,959	\$2,461
Pct. Change Since 2002		7.6%	6.2%	6.2%	7.8%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Per Capita Income Over Time					
	1986	1991	1996	2001	2006
Total Per Capita Income	\$12,070	\$14,962	\$17,496	\$19,641	\$23,292
Change Since 1986		\$2,892	\$5,426	\$7,571	\$11,222
Pct. Change Since 1986		24.0%	45.0%	62.7%	93.0%



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Income & Wage	
	Number
Median family income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Median household income in 2007 (ACS)	N/A
Average Wage Per Job in 2007 (BLS)	\$27,309
Wage Growth since 1997 (BLS)	27.2%

Source: US Census Bureau & Bureau of Labor Statistics

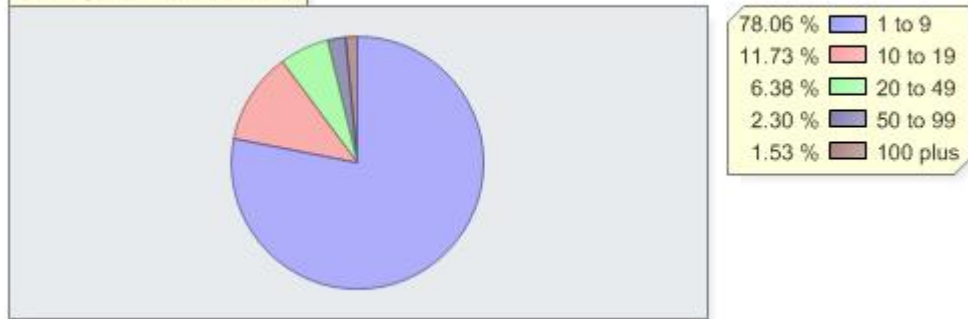
Firms and Employment by Size

Firm data are available for most counties by the size of the firms and average employment by business unit size.

County Business Patterns, 2006				
	Establishments	Number Chg. 01 to 06	Pct.Chg. 01 to 06	Pct. of Total
1-9 employees	306	3	1.0%	78.1%
10-19 employees	46	9	24.3%	11.7%
20-49 employees	25	-1	-3.8%	6.4%

50-99 employees	9	5	125.0%	2.3%
100 plus employees	6	-1	-14.3%	1.5%
TOTAL	392	15	4.0%	100.0%

County Business Patterns

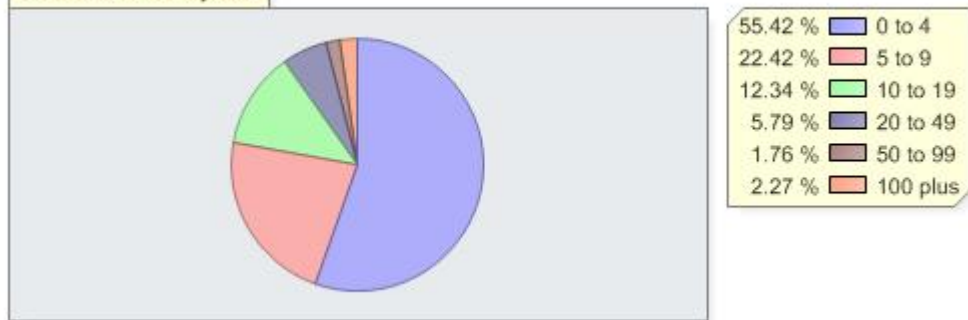


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Firms by Size, 2008:3

	Number of Business Units, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	220	55.4%
5 to 9 employees	89	22.4%
10 to 19 employees	49	12.3%
20 to 49 employees	23	5.8%
50 to 99 employees	7	1.8%
100 plus employees	9	2.3%
TOTAL	397	100.0%

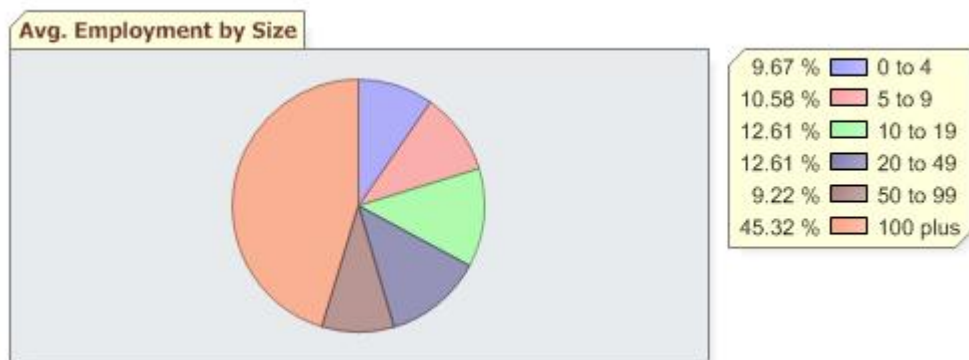
Business Units by Size



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.

Avg. Employment by Business Unit Size, 2008:3

	Avg. Employment, 2008:2	Pct. of Total
0 to 4 employees	516	9.7%
5 to 9 employees	565	10.6%
10 to 19 employees	673	12.6%
20 to 49 employees	673	12.6%
50 to 99 employees	492	9.2%
100 plus employees	2,419	45.3%
TOTAL	5,338	100.0%



Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research & Analysis, Covered Employment; Note: Business Units with zero employees and Federal Government Employees are included.